Resolution No.: 16-1036

Introduced: May 21, 2009

Adopted:

June 30, 2009

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #09-263 to the FY09 Operating Budget

Montgomery County Government

Department of Police

Motor Pool Fund Contribution Non-Departmental Account

Expansion of the Speed Cameras Program, [\$2,907,250] \$1,970,490

Background

- 1. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that any supplemental appropriation recommended by the County Executive shall specify the source of funds to finance it. The Council shall hold a public hearing on each proposed supplemental appropriation after at least one week's notice. A supplemental appropriation that would comply with, avail the County of, or put into effect a grant or a Federal, State or County law or regulation, or one that is approved after January 1 of any fiscal year, requires an affirmative vote of five Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers. The Council may, in a single action, approve more than one supplemental appropriation. The Executive may disapprove or reduce a supplemental appropriation, and the Council may reapprove the appropriation, as if it were an item in the annual budget.
- 2. The County Executive has requested the following FY09 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Police and the Motor Pool Fund Contribution Non-Departmental Account:

	Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Capital <u>Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	Source of Funds
Police	\$ 59,110	\$2,806,890	\$ 0	\$2,866,000	General Fund Undesignated Reserves
Motor Pool Fund Contribution NDA	\$0	\$0	\$41,250	\$41,250	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

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3. This increase is needed because the Department of Police has initiated the expansion of the Safe Speed Program by adding 30 speed cameras to the existing 36 for a total of 66 cameras (that include six mobile units.) As authorized by State Law (Chapter 15, 2006 Laws of Maryland), the Safe Speed Program has been operating since May 2007. The primary goal of the Safe Speed Program is to change driver behavior in an attempt to reduce the frequency and severity of speed-related collision and injuries. The Montgomery County Police Department developed this program to increase the effectiveness of speed enforcement in areas with recurring speeding problems. The Safe Speed Program will provide consistent speed enforcement that will allow police officers to devote their time to other law enforcement duties. The increase in the number of speed cameras is consistent with the primary goal of the Safe Speed Program.

- 4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY09 Operating Budget in the amount of \$2,907,250 for the expansion of the Speed Camera Program, and specifies that the source of funds will be General Fund Undesignated Reserves.
- 5. The Public Safety Committee reviewed the Executive's request at its June 25, 2009 session and asked the Police Department and Office of Management and Budget to review budget projections and determine if a lesser amount is needed to cover the cost associated with the additional citations being issued in FY09. On June 29, 2009, the Office of Management and Budget told the Committee that \$1,970,490 should be sufficient to cover the additional FY09 costs. The Public Safety Committee recommends \$41,250 be appropriated to the Motorpool Non-Departmental Account and \$1,929,240 be appropriated to the Department of Police. It was noted that the County Executive assumed additional FY09 costs and revenues in his FY10 Recommended Operating Budget.
- 6. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A supplemental appropriation to the FY09 Operating Budget of the Department of Police and the Motor Pool Fund Contribution Non-Departmental Account is approved as follows:

	Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Capital <u>Outlay</u>	Total	Source of Funds
Police	\$ 0	\$1,929,240	\$ 0	\$1,929,240	General Fund Undesignated Reserves
Motor Pool Fund Contribution NDA	\$ 0	\$0	\$41,250	\$41,250	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

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This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council